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DWD Issues Report of Wisconsin UI Fraud Detection & Prevention

MADISON – The Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development (DWD) submitted its annual [Detection and Prevention of Fraud in the Unemployment Insurance Program](#) report for 2013 to the Unemployment Insurance Advisory Council. The report consists of activities in Wisconsin to prevent Unemployment Insurance (UI) fraud, to detect attempts to conceal wages, and to recover improper payments.

In 2013, DWD recovered funds equal to 97% of the benefits that were issued due to fraud during the year. The full report is available online under the Publications section of the [Unemployment Insurance Advisory Council web page](#).

Recovery of UI Fraud Overpayments, 2010-2013

	2010	2011	2012	2013
Total Federal & State UI Paid	\$3.1 billion	\$2 billion	\$1.6 billion	\$1.2 billion
Total Fraud Overpayments Established	\$37.4 million	\$41.6 million	\$31.5 million	\$24.7 million
Percent of Fraud Compared to Total UI Payments	1.19%	1.99%	1.95%	1.95%
Total Fraud Overpayments Recovered	\$9 million	\$15.5 million	\$25.2 million	\$23.9 million
Percent of Fraud Recovered Compared to Fraud Payments	24%	37%	80%	97%